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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97 to inform the Patent Office of all references coming to the attention of each individual associated with the filing or prosecution of the subject application, which are or may be material to the patentability of any claim of the application, Attorneys for Applicants hereby invite the Examiner's attention to the references AA-DK listed on the attached revised form PTO 1449 entitled "List of References Cited by Applicant."

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/503,387, filed February 14, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 09/454,824, filed December 6, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 09/345,068, filed June 30, 1999. Copies of references AC-AF, AU, AY, BA, BN, BX, CA, and DD-DJ are submitted herewith. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of the listed references AA-AB, AG-AT, AV-AX, AZ, BB-BM, BO-BW, BY-BZ, CB-DC, and DK have not been included herein as such copies are available in parent application Serial No. 09/345,068, filed June 30, 1999. Applicants will provide copies of references AA-AB, AG-AT, AV-AX, AZ, BB-BM, BO-BW, BY-BZ, CB-DC and DK upon request by the Examiner.

Identification of the listed references is not meant to be construed as an admission of Applicants or Attorneys for Applicants that such references are available as

“prior art” against the subject application. Consequently, Applicants respectfully decline to use form PTO-1449, since this form identifies all of the references cited therein as “Prior Art.” As an alternative, Applicants submit herewith several pages of a “revised form PTO 1449” entitled “List of References Cited” instead of “List of Prior Art Cited”.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the foregoing references and that the references be made of record in the file history of the application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), since Applicants believe that this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to the first Office Action on merits, no fee is believed due. However, should the Patent and Trademark Office determine otherwise, please charge any required fee to Pennie & Edmonds Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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